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It is past time that the DOJ acted in the BEST interest of the USA and its citizens. The settlement signed off on is more than enough punishment for a case never should have been brought. No other country in this world is destructive to the inventions and intellectual property successes of its corporations. But for the grace of God, the USA has survived the misjudgments (like this one) by its government - that goes for antitrust as well as how we the people have been protected from enemies who would (and did) kill us. Let us not kill our own brilliant ideas anymore.